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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on July 29, 2002, and in conjunction with the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Amended) A method for developing a technical configuration and electronically delivering to a client from a server an order report for the technical configuration, the method comprising:
- interactively eliciting and electronically receiving from a user on the client a desired technical configuration, wherein the act of interactively eliciting and electronically receiving comprises providing to the client from the server a limited configuration engine that is a subset of a full configuration engine residing on the server, and performing a first, limited check on the viability of the desired technical configuration on the client using the limited configuration engine;
- performing a second, final check on the viability of the desired technical configuration using the full configuration engine on the server; and